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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

RAN 205

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

10/506864

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

PCT/FR03/00 646

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

FEBRUARY 28, 2003

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

MARCH 1, 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

OPTICAL MODE ADAPTER PROVIDED WITH TWO SEPARATE CHANNELS

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US


STEPHANE TISSERAND ET AL.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

## Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☐ Other items or information:

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| U.S. APPLICATION NO. (37 CFR 1.53) <b>10/506864</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |              | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PA/HR03/60646</b> |                                                                                                                                                               | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>RAN 205</b>                                                                                                                                          |    |
| 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:<br><b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)):</b><br>Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482)<br>nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO<br>and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1040.00<br><br>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to<br>USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$890.00<br><br>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO<br>but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$740.00<br><br>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO<br>but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$710.00<br><br>International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO<br>and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$100.00<br><br><b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b> |              |                                                    |                                                                                                                                                               | <b>CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</b><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>\$ 920.00</span> <span></span> </div> |    |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30<br>months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |                                                    |                                                                                                                                                               | \$                                                                                                                                                                               |    |
| CLAIMS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA                                       | RATE                                                                                                                                                          | \$                                                                                                                                                                               |    |
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| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |              |                                                    | + \$280.00                                                                                                                                                    | \$                                                                                                                                                                               |    |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above<br>are reduced by 1/2.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |              |                                                    |                                                                                                                                                               | \$                                                                                                                                                                               |    |
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| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be<br>accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |              |                                                    |                                                                                                                                                               | \$                                                                                                                                                                               |    |
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| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR<br>1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |              |                                                    |                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                  |    |
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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**for FY 2004**

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Number

PG/FR 03/ 00 646

Filing Date

02/28/03

First Named Inventor

STEPHANE TISSELAND

Examiner Name

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Attorney Docket No.

RAN 205

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The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)

☒ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☒ Credit any overpayments☒ Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s)☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

| Large Entity<br>Fee Code (\$) | Small Entity<br>Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description        | Fee Paid    |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| 1001 770                      | 2001 385                      | Utility filing fee     | 920.00      |
| 1002 340                      | 2002 170                      | Design filing fee      |             |
| 1003 530                      | 2003 265                      | Plant filing fee       |             |
| 1004 770                      | 2004 385                      | Reissue filing fee     |             |
| 1005 160                      | 2005 80                       | Provisional filing fee |             |
| SUBTOTAL (1)                  |                               |                        | (\$ 920.00) |

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

| Total Claims              | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------|
| Independent Claims        | -20** =      | X              |          |
| Multiple Dependent Claims | -3** =       | X              |          |

| <u>Large Entity</u> |          | <u>Small Entity</u> |          | <u>Fee Description</u>                                     |
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| Fee Code            | Fee (\$) | Fee Code            | Fee (\$) |                                                            |
| 1202                | 18       | 2202                | 9        | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 1201                | 86       | 2201                | 43       | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |
| 1203                | 290      | 2203                | 145      | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 1204                | 86       | 2204                | 43       | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 1205                | 18       | 2205                | 9        | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity Small Entity

| Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description                                                            | Fee Paid |
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| 1051 130      | 2051 65       | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath                                        |          |
| 1052 50       | 2052 25       | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 1053 130      | 1053 130      | Non-English specification                                                  |          |
| 1812 2,520    | 1812 2,520    | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination                            |          |
| 1804 920*     | 1804 920*     | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 1805 1,840*   | 1805 1,840*   | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 1251 110      | 2251 55       | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 1252 420      | 2252 210      | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 1253 950      | 2253 475      | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 1254 1,480    | 2254 740      | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 1255 2,010    | 2255 1,005    | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 1401 330      | 2401 165      | Notice of Appeal                                                           |          |
| 1402 330      | 2402 165      | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 1403 290      | 2403 145      | Request for oral hearing                                                   |          |
| 1451 1,510    | 1451 1,510    | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 1452 110      | 2452 55       | Petition to revive - unavoidable                                           |          |
| 1453 1,330    | 2453 665      | Petition to revive - unintentional                                         |          |
| 1501 1,330    | 2501 665      | Utility issue fee (or reissue)                                             |          |
| 1502 480      | 2502 240      | Design issue fee                                                           |          |
| 1503 640      | 2503 320      | Plant issue fee                                                            |          |
| 1460 130      | 1460 130      | Petitions to the Commissioner                                              |          |
| 1807 50       | 1807 50       | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)                                        |          |
| 1806 180      | 1806 180      | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 8021 40       | 8021 40       | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 1809 770      | 2809 385      | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))                |          |
| 1810 770      | 2810 385      | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))             |          |
| 1801 770      | 2801 385      | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 1802 900      | 1802 900      | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

Other fee (specify)

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 920.00)

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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.27. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

10/506864

Applicant: Stephane Tisserand et al.

Serial No:

Art Unit:

Filing Date:

Title: OPTICAL MODE ADAPTER PROVIDED WITH TWO SEPARATE CHANNELS

Priority Application: Country: France; No.: 02/02588; Filing Date: March 1, 2002

PCT Application: No.: PCT/FR03/00646 Filing Date: February 28, 2003

September 1, 2004

Attorney's Docket No.: RAN205R1

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

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Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing is:

&lt;X&gt; Form PTO-1390

<X> Copy of the French text of the PCT application No. PCT/FR03/00646  
(9 pages of the specification, 3 pages of claims, 4 sheets of drawing)

&lt;X&gt; English translation of the PCT application No. PCT/FR03/00646 (16 pages)

&lt;X&gt; Request to Accept Patent Application for Entering U.S. National Phase under 35 USC § 371

&lt;X&gt; Claim of Priority

&lt;X&gt; Form PTO/SB/17 (01-03)

&lt;X&gt; Form PTO-1449 (1 page)

&lt;X&gt; Copy of the International Search Report (2 pages)

<X> Reference: T. Brenner et al. - "Highly efficient fiber-waveguide coupling achieved by InGaAsP/  
InP - Integrated Optical Mode Shape Adapters.

&lt;X&gt; Form 1449

&lt;X&gt; Preliminary Amendment dated September 1, 2004

&lt;X&gt; Fee in the amount of \$920.00 are to be charged to a credit card. Form PTO-2038 is enclosed.

(X) The applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to any Office Action outstanding in the above captioned matter as necessary to avoid abandonment of the application. Please charge my deposit account No.11-0224 in the amount required to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above account.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16, and 1.17, after a mailing of a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.18 or any additional fees which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Acct. No.11-0224. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. If and only if account funds should be insufficient, immediately contact our associate, Lisa Zumwalt, at (703)415-0579, who will pay immediately to avoid deprivation of rights.

( ) Please charge my Deposit Account No.11-0224 in the amount of \$. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A signature or signatures required for the above recited document(s) is (are) provided herebelow. Such signature(s) also provide(s) ratification for any required signature appearing to be defective in the above recited document(s).

Horst M. Kasper, 13 Forest Drive, Warren, N.J.07059  
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**Express Mail Certification:** I hereby certify that the correspondence attached hereto is being deposited with the USPS "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231,

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Signature:  Date: **September 1, 2004**  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant: Stephane Tisserand et al.

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September 1, 2004

Attorney's Docket No.: RAN205R1

**REQUEST TO ACCEPT PATENT APPLICATION FOR ENTERING  
UNITED STATES NATIONAL PHASE UNDER 35 USC §371**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

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Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

A patent application related to the above identified application was filed on February 28, 2003 under the PCT Treaty under the docket number PCT/FR03/00646. English translation of the originally filed PCT application PCT/FR03/00646 is enclosed.


It is respectfully requested that the present application be treated as an application filed under the Section 35 U.S.C. § 371 for transferring a PCT application PCT/FR03/00646, naming the United States, into the national phase and that the present application be granted any and all benefits and in particular those benefits relating to a priority recognition of prior filings under jurisdiction of treaty members and available under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (Washington Treaty), the Paris Convention Treaty, and

under the United States Code based on the filing under the Patent Cooperation Treaty of PCT application PCT/FR03/00646.

If there should be any problems in granting the benefits available under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and/or 35 USC §371 based on such items as incompleteness of application, excessive time delays or defective application papers, then it is alternatively respectfully requested that prior to the expiration through abandonment of a filing under 35 USC §371 and under charging the required fees from deposit account, the present application be treated as an application and/or continuation application filed at a time required under any one of the sections 35 U.S.C. §111, 35 U.S.C. §363, and/or 35 U.S.C. §365(c) as applicable and that the present application be treated as a continuation or continuation-in-part application of the PCT application PCT/FR03/00646.

Recognition of PCT national phase status or, respectively, continuation or continuation-in-part status under the PCT Treaty and/or of the claimed priority date of March 1, 2002 is respectfully requested for the patent application documents in the above captioned matter.

Respectfully submitted,  
Stephane Tisserand et al.

By:   
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Attorney's Docket No.: RAN205R1

CLAIM OF PRIORITY

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 (1952), the undersigned hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of a prior foreign patent application forming a basis of the PCT application viz.:

Country: FRANCE

Application No.: 02/02588

Date of Filing: March 1, 2002

In support of this claim, a certified copy of the aforementioned foreign patent applications is believed to have been submitted by the World Intellectual Property Organization and should have been received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office prior to the expiration of 20, or respectively 30, months from the first priority date of the application.

Respectfully submitted,  
Stephane Tisserand et al.

By: Horst M. Kasper  
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